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Brine and Oil Spill in Dunn County

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) has been notified of a brine and oil spill at a well site owned by XTO Energy, Inc., in Dunn County approximately 18 miles southeast of Watford City. The spill occurred as a result of a blowout.

Initial estimates indicate approximately 110 barrels of brine and 550 barrels of oil were released. An estimated 90 barrels of brine and 450 barrels of oil have been recovered. The spill escaped the site, but it appears that no waterways have been affected.

Personnel from the North Dakota Oil and Gas Division and the NDDoH are at the site. NDDoH personnel will work with the company on a remediation plan.

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